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PART I.

Crop Compensation.

No. R. 12791-4--L. R. 25-16-35, DATED 23RD JUNE 1917.

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS
THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.**

GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.

READ—

Letter No. C. 4592, dated 2nd June 1917, from the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore submitting for orders copy of Mysore District Deputy Commissioner's letter soliciting sanction to the proposals of the Land Compensation Committee for the second payment of crop compensation to the expropriated raiyats under the Krishnaraja Sagara in the cases specified by the Committee in their resolutions* passed at the meeting held on 8th March 1917, and stating that the rate at which crop compensation is proposed to be given is in accordance with Government Order No. R. 6680-3—L. R. 2515-43, dated 12th January 1916.

2. Letter No. 4592, dated 8th June 1917, from the same officer, forwarding in continuation copy of another letter from the same Deputy Commissioner stating that in anticipation of sanction, he (Deputy Commissioner) has authorised the Special Land Acquisition Officer to pay the second crop compensation.

* Printed as annexure.

Order No. R. 12791-4—L. R. 25-16-35, dated 23rd June 1917.

The Committee's proposals contained in their resolutions passed at the meeting held on 8th March 1917, referred to above are sanctioned.

B. RAMASWAMAIYA,
Offg. Secy. to Govt., Rev. Dept.

To—The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.

The Chief Engineer of Mysore and Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.

The Comptroller to Government, Public Works and Railway Branch.

The Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District.

Exd.—C.R.

No. R. 12791-4—L. R. 25-16-35, DATED 23RD JUNE 1917.

ANNEXURE.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE LAND COMPENSATION COMMITTEE HELD ON 8TH MARCH 1917, IN THE PUBLIC OFFICE BUILDINGS, MYSORE.

Present.

1. K. Matthan, Esq., B.A., Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District.
2. B. Subba Rao, Esq., L.C.E., Superintending Engineer, Krishnarajasagara Works.
3. N. Subba Rao, Esq., B.A., Special Land Acquisition Officer.

Mr. T. Dharmaraja Chetty was also present.

Memo of the Special Land Acquisition Officer, Krishnarajasagara Works, received with his letter No. 1195, dated 17th January 1917, regarding the second payment of crop compensation in the following cases:—

I. In cases of lands uncultivated for reasons noted below:—

1. The extent of land being too large to prepare for cultivation.
2. Late supply of water in the channel.
3. The lands awarded having crops sown by original holder.
4. The land awarded being unirrigable.
5. Want of water owing to channel work being incomplete.

Resolution.—No crop compensation can be awarded on the ground that the extent of land is too large to prepare for cultivation.

When water is supplied in time, the only circumstance which would justify the grant of crop compensation, a second time would be when cultivation could not be attempted as awardees were put in possession of the land too late in the year *i.e.*, after 30th June. But if water is supplied late in the season, *i.e.*, after 30th June 1916, crop compensation should be given even though water may have been taken to prepare the land for cultivation for next season. When water is supplied late and dry crop is raised on the land utilising channel water, crop compensation up to half the usual amount may be given and when dry crop is raised without utilising channel water crop compensation up to three-fourths may be given.

If the lands awarded could not be cultivated owing to crop sown by original holder standing thereon, the case should be treated as if the land in exchange had been given too late and crop compensation should be awarded.

If the land awarded is found to be unirrigable and other land has to be given, the case should be regarded as if no award has been made.

In cases where there was want of water owing to channel work being incomplete, crop compensation should be given.

II. As to the case of an expropriated raiyat delaying selecting lands owing to there being no lands available to his liking or from any other cause, it was resolved that he may be given crop compensation for one year only as he is at liberty to take money compensation instead.

Similarly, in cases where raiyats have not selected lands in exchange in view of the second stage of the Reservoir Works affecting more of their lands than the first stage, it is resolved that such raiyats should be intimated that they should select lands or take cash compensation and that in any case there will be crop compensation only for one year.

District Conference.

No. R. 12490-3—L. R. 12-16-171, DATED 18TH JUNE 1917.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS
THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.

READ—

Letter No. H. C. 887 (Rev), dated 9th April 1917, from the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District, submitting a report of the Proceedings of the Shimoga District Conference held on 16th February 1917, together with a list of major and minor wants of the district and also brief reports of the Shimoga District Co-operative Conference held on 15th February 1917 and of the District Exhibition held on 16th February 1917, and the following days, along with the District Conference.

Order No. R. 12490-3—L. R. 12-16-171, dated 18th June 1917.

Recorded.

The Deputy Commissioner is requested to convey the thanks of Government to the several gentlemen, official and non-official, who contributed to the success of the Conferences and Exhibition by their co-operation and assistance.

B. RAMASWAMAIYA,
Offg. Secy. to Govt., Rev. Dept.

To—The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.
The Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga District.
The Secretary, Economic Conference.
The Registrar of Co-operative Societies in Mysore.
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Exd.—C. R.

No. R. 12490-3—L. R. 12-16-171, DATED 18TH JUNE 1917.

ANNEXURE.

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As desired in Government Order No. R. 5650-699—L. R. 10-14-211, dated 5th December 1916, I have the honor to submit the report on the District Conference of this district, held on the 16th February 1917.

2. The idea of holding the Conference and also an Exhibition of the Agricultural and Industrial products of the district was suggested by the Agricultural Sub-Committee and was approved by the District Committee at the meeting held on the 25th November 1916, when the date was fixed as the 16th February 1917. To give effect to this decision of the District Committee, two preliminary meetings were held one on the 1st December 1916, and another on the 9th December 1916, of the principal inhabitants of Shimoga and also of the District Officers. At the latter meeting, it was decided that advantage should be taken of this opportunity to hold a Co-operative Conference and also a Teachers' Conference, at about the same time along with the District Conference and Exhibition.

3. Government Order No. R. 5650-699—L. R. 10-14-211, dated 5th December 1916, was received here on the 7th December 1916. As the date of the District Conference had already been settled and communicated to the several taluks, it was deemed inexpedient to alter it. It was also not possible to have Taluk Conferences in all taluks before the date fixed, as it is usual to take advantage of important jatras to hold such Conferences. So the Amildars were requested to convene an informal meeting of all the members of the various bodies referred to in para 2 of clause (3) of the Government Order of the 5th December 1916, and prepare a fresh and complete list of major and minor wants of the taluks as also of the local grievances with suggestions for redressing the same. At the same time, lists were prepared in the District Office also, based on the lists received in the previous years. On the 8th February 1917, these lists and the lists received from the taluks were placed before a sort of Sub-Committee consisting of all the Officers of the District and the leading non-official gentlemen residing in Shimoga. The subjects to be placed before the District Conference and to be included in the list to be sent to Government were selected at this meeting.

4. In accordance with instructions contained in para 2 (3) of the Government Order, members of the District Conference were selected as noted below:—

					Rs.
Shimoga Town	..	...	...	...	16
Shimoga Taluk	...	...	...	...	8
Channagiri Taluk	...	...	...	...	10
Honnali	...	...	...	...	8
Shikarpur	..	...	...	...	13
Sorab	..	...	...	...	12
Sagar	..	...	...	...	6
Nagar	..	...	...	...	11
Tirthahalli	..	...	...	...	15
Kumsi Sub-Taluk	...	...	...	...	9
Total	...	...	...	...	110

Of the 110 non-official gentlemen 52 were Brahmins; 32 Lingayets; 7 Mohamadans; 4 Vaisyas; 2 Europeans and 13 others.

5. The Conference was opened at 12 noon on the 16th February 1917. Fifty-seven out of the 110 non-official members were present and 22 official members also attended including the Amildars and the Deputy Amildar of Kumsi. A number of visitors also kindly responded to the invitations that had been sent out requesting their presence. Prior to this date, Taluk Conferences had been held as noted below:—

Taluk.	Place.	Date.
Nagar Taluk.	Kallurkatte.	20-12-1916.
Tirthahalli.	Tirthahalli.	26-12-1916.
Kumsi Sub-Taluk.	Kumsi.	3-2-1917.
Honnali Taluk.	Rampur.	13-2-1917.

6. The Proceedings commenced with a brief speech from the President explaining what steps had been taken to give effect to the Government Order of the 5th December 1916, in the matter of the District and Taluk Conferences and indicating the order of business for the day.

7. The work done under the ten special schemes noted below was next examined, and the members were called upon to make their remarks, if any, about their results:—

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| (1) Economic Branch. | (6) Village Courts. |
| (2) Village Improvement Scheme. | (7) Village Savings Banks. |
| (3) Malnad Improvement Scheme. | (8) Tank Panchayats. |
| (4) Minor Tanks Restoration Scheme. | (9) Rural Water supply Scheme. |
| (5) Village Forests. | (10) Large Landed Estates. |

Copies of the reports placed before the Conference in regard to the progress in these schemes are enclosed.

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8. The major and minor wants of the district were then discussed and a list prepared. (Copy of the list enclosed).

9. The afternoon was devoted to the discussion of local grievances and the proceedings terminated at 5-30 P.M.

10. Towards the expenses of these Conferences and Exhibition, the Government have granted Rs. 150 from the Village Improvement and Economic Funds and the Education Department have sanctioned a sum of Rs. 100. The Shimoga Town Municipality and the Malnad Improvement Committee contributed Rs. 100 and Rs. 200, respectively, and the District Board have promised to give Rs. 250 for which sanction of Government is awaited. Subscriptions amounting to Rs. 585-12-0 have been received from several gentlemen living all over the district. A statement of receipts and expenditure is enclosed. The savings after meeting all the necessary expenditure will be utilised for the Industrial and Agricultural Museum to be opened at Shimoga.

11. My thanks are due to Mr. C. Subba Rao, Advocate, Treasurer, and Mr. U. Subba Rao Naik, Joint Secretary.

The Official Secretary, Mr. T. Venkataramiah, had to go on leave early in February, owing to his ill health, and his work devolved upon Mr. C. Gopala Char, (Treasury Assistant Commissioner) who within the short time at his disposal with the assistance of Mr. Abdul Azizkhan, Amildar, Shimoga Taluk, successfully looked to all the arrangements in connection with the District and other Conferences and Exhibition. I commend the good work done by these officers.

12. The Co-operative Conference was held on the 15th February 1917, and it was opened by Mr. M. A. Narayana Iyengar, Registrar of Co-operative Societies, at 8-30 A.M.

Mr. M. Shama Rao, Inspector-General of Education was expected to open and preside over the Teachers' Conference on the 17th February 1917, but owing to ill health, he was not able to come to Shimoga to perform the function but sent the Deputy Inspector-General, Mr. Dasappa, who opened the Conference at 8-30 A.M.

The Exhibition was opened at 8-30 A.M. on the 16th February 1917.

13. Separate reports of the Teachers' Conference, Co-operative Conference and of the Exhibition are herewith submitted.

14. The Officers of the Departments of Education, Agriculture, Forest, Mines and Geology, Industries and Commerce, heartily co-operated in the movement.

15. Apart from the several subjects discussed at the Co-operative and the Teachers' Conferences, several interesting papers on subjects relating to Co-operation and education were also read. Popular lectures on several useful subjects as noted below were delivered in the afternoon of Sunday, the 18th February 1917, and also on the next day.

1.	Mr. Siddalinga Devaru	...	Improved methods of agriculture.
2.	" K. Shankaranarayana Rao	...	Litigation and how to put it down.
3.	" Kadaba	...	Labour saving appliances.
4.	" S. R. Balakrishna Rao	...	On Swadharma.
5.	" Venkata Rao	...	On Koleroga.
6.	" The Health Officer	...	Sanitation.
7.	" Kadappa	...	Uses of Exhibition and lessons from exhibits.

16. The services of Mr. K. Vedantiengar, had also been very kindly lent by the Inspector-General of Education, and he delivered every evening popular lectures accompanied by Magic Lantern and Bioscope. His lectures were very instructive and much appreciated. His lectures and shows on the evening of the 19th were exclusively for the benefit of women, and several ghosa ladies attended them.

No. R. 12680-90—L. R. 395-16-9, DATED 22ND JUNE 1917.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS
THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.

READ—

Paragraph 3 (iii) (d) of Government Order No. R. 6185-233—L. R. 641-13-14, dated 16th December 1916, empowering Deputy Commissioners to sanction refund of all sums collected by any department under their control up to the limit of Rs. 500 and subject to certain conditions mentioned therein.

2. Letter No. Reg. 1. S. C. 597—R. A., dated 18th April 1917, from the Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District, enquiring whether the power referred to above is not intended to apply to the case of refunds in the Forest Department as well as in the other departments under the control of Deputy Commissioners.

Order No. R. 12680-90—L. R. 395-16-9, dated 22nd June 1917.

Government observe that the power of sanctioning refunds conferred on Deputy Commissioners by the Government Order read above, does not extend to the (Forest) Revenue collected by Forest Officers, as the refunds in those cases are governed by Section 119 of the Forest Code. They are, however, competent under the said order to sanction refunds in the case of realizations from District Forests, etc., collected by the Revenue agency and credited to the Treasury under Forest remittances.

B. RAMASWAMAIYA,
Offg. Secy. to Govt., Rev. Dept.

To—The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.
The Comptroller, Mysore Government.
The Deputy Commissioners of Districts.
The Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

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Minor Tanks Restoration Scheme.

No. R. 13201-11—L. R. 36-16-30, DATED 30TH JUNE 1917.

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS
THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.**

GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.

READ—

Paragraph 6 of Government Order No. R. 9425-36—L. R. 36-16-17, dated 10th March 1917, empowering Amildars and Sub-Divisional Assistant Commissioners to pass bills and issue cheques on their own authority in connection with the Minor Tanks Restoration Scheme up to a limit of Rs. 100 and 500 respectively.

2. Letter No. 10450—G. A. I. 1626, dated 29th May 1917, from the Comptroller to the Government, Public Works and Railway Branch, stating that, as there is a proposal to discontinue the system of paying public works bills on cheques, it is not desirable to allow officers not already drawing cheques to draw cheques and proposing that the powers referred to above may be exercised by the Amildars and the Assistant Commissioners by passing pay orders on bills to be cashed at Treasuries and that these officers may be directed to submit to the Deputy Commissioner concerned copies of bills so passed by them for payment so as to enable the latter officers to send up a complete account for the whole district.

Order No. R. 13201-11—L. R. 36-16-30, dated 30th June 1917.

The proposals of the Comptroller are approved. .

B. RAMASWAMAIYA,
Offg. Secy. to Govt., Rev. Dept.

To—The Comptroller, Mysore Government.
The Comptroller, Public Works and Railway Branch.
The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.
The Chief Engineer of Mysore.
The Deputy Commissioners of Districts.
PRESS TABLE.

Ed:—C. R.

**Co-operation between the Revenue and
the Public Works Departments.**

No. R. 13101-10— L. R. 213-16-2, DATED 29TH JUNE 1917.

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THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.**

GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.

Order No. R. 13101-10—L. R. 213-16-2, dated 29th June 1917.

With a view to stimulate and maintain greater co-operation between the Revenue and the Public Works Departments, Government are pleased to issue the following rules regarding the relation of Public Works Officers to Deputy Commissioners of Districts.

2. The District Public Works Budget which will be prepared according to the Public Works needs of the district shall be forwarded to Government in future through the Deputy Commissioners concerned.

3. The Deputy Commissioner is the responsible head of the district and the assistance and professional advice of the Public Works Department are at his disposal, if required. Any information he may call for should be promptly supplied. The Deputy Commissioner may, for any special reason, make any definite request to the Executive Engineer. If the Executive Engineer considers that compliance with such request is not in the public interest and if time allows, he may ask the Deputy Commissioner to refer the matter to Government through the Superintending Engineer, and the Deputy Commissioner in that case should at once do so. Otherwise the Deputy Commissioner's request shall be complied with.

4. Works not provided for in the Budget should not, except in cases of emergency, be commenced without the Deputy Commissioner's previous approval, and when so commenced, intimation should at once be given to him.

5. The Deputy Commissioner should have the right to propose the construction of new works and the repairs of the existing ones, and his proposal should be disregarded only for reasons to be recorded and communicated to him by the Superintending Engineer. The Deputy Commissioner may also make recommendations in regard to other Public Works matters which concern his district, and such recommendations shall be duly considered and promptly replied to.

6. It is desirable that Superintending and Executive Engineers should, as much as possible, consult Deputy Commissioners and Revenue Sub-Divisional Officers personally in regard to the Public Works interests and needs of the district, and all officers concerned should co-operate cordially and readily with one another. All proposals for important changes in the distribution of water or in any other branch of the Public Works Administration should be forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner for remarks before submission for sanction to the Superintending Engineer or to Government, and the Deputy Commissioner should be furnished with information as to any such changes decided upon before they are carried out.

7. Public Works Officers will follow strictly, in future, the rule enjoining that no lands should be entered upon until formally transferred by the Revenue Department, save in exceptional cases which should be immediately reported to the Chief Engineer.

8. References from the Revenue Department to the Public Works Department should be promptly replied to. The Chief Engineer is requested to instruct Executive Engineers to forward to the Deputy Commissioners of Districts concerned a list of unanswered references pending with them at the end of every quarter.

B. RAMASWAMAIYA,
Offg. Secy. to Govt., Rev. Dept.

To—The Chief Engineer of Mysore.
The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.
The Deputy Commissioners of Districts.
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No. R. 12486-9—L. R. 12-16-170, DATED 16TH JUNE 1917.

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS
THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.**

GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.

READ—

Letter No. R. H. O. C. 509, dated 27th April 1917, from the Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District, submitting a report of the proceedings of the Tumkur District Conference held on the 12 March 1917, and of the Taluk Conferences in the said district held in 1916-17.

Order No. R. 12486-9—L. R. 12-16-170, dated 18th June 1917.

Recorded.

The thanks of Government may be conveyed by the Deputy Commissioner to the several gentlemen, official and non-official, who contributed to the success of the Conference by their co-operation and assistance.

B. RAMASWAMAIYA,
Offg. Secy. to Govt., Rev. Dept.

To—The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.
The Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District.
The Secretary, Economic Conference.
The Registrar of Co-operative Societies in Mysore.

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No. R. 12486-9—L. R. 12-16-170, DATED 18TH JUNE 1917.

Annexure.

**REPORT OF DISTRICT AND TALUK CONFERENCES
FOR THE YEAR 1916-17.**

1. *General.*—In accordance with Government Order No. 5650-699—10-14-211, dated 5th December 1916, a District Conference was organized at Tumkur on 12th March 1917.

2. Instructions had been issued to all the taluks with regard to the selection of delegates and to the discussion of subjects at the Conference. The total number of delegates present representing several bodies and interests was 217 distributed as noted in the margin.

1. District Board.
2. Do Committee.
3. Unions.
4. Taluk Panchayats.
5. Progress Committee Members.
6. Major Municipalities.
7. Minor do
8. Representative Assembly Members.

3. The proceedings were opened at 12 noon by the Deputy Commissioner as President of the Conference, when the object of the Conference and the work that was expected of the delegates were clearly explained to them both in English and in

Kannada. (*Vide* copy of the speech.)

4. After the opening of the Conference, a report about the work of the District Economic Conference, Village Improvement Scheme, and Minor Tanks Restoration for the preceding year was read by the District Economic Superintendent and the consideration of the major and minor wants was taken up.

5. A list of such wants which had been prepared beforehand was read out and suggestions invited for additions and deletions and the statement of wants finally adopted by the Conference has been forwarded to Government with this office D. O. No. 63, dated 31st March 1917. Some of these wants have been specially assigned to the Deputy Commissioner for immediate attention and the Sub-Division Officers also have been allotted, certain items of work as noted in the statement. The rest of the subjects have been distributed to the several taluks to be worked out within the allotted time.

6. *Discussion of Subjects.*—The subjects which were forwarded by the taluks had to be scrutinized, some of these having been dealt with already in Taluk Conferences. The total number of subjects thus selected for discussion was 43. In addition to these nine more subjects were taken up for discussion at the Conference and the most important ones will be treated below:—

Relationship between the inamdars and their tenants.—(a) The much vexed question of the relationship between the inamdars and their tenants was taken up first. After some discussion the subject was referred to a Special Committee which consisted of inamdars and tenants holding lands in inam villages presided over by Mr. H. V. Ramaswamayya, Gubbi Sub-Division Officer. After a full discussion of the subject the Committee submitted its resolutions on the several issues raised in the controversy. A report in this connection has already been submitted to Government in R. H. O. C. 759, dated 15th March 1917.

Improvements of cultivation under Boranakanve and Mavathur tanks.—(b) The subject of the improvement of cultivation under Boranakanve and Mavathur tanks was next taken up.

Boranakanve, though originally designed for a catchment of 8,600 units does not get more than 1,300 units even in the years of good rainfall and the problem was how to improve its catchment. The Executive Engineer was also consulted in the matter and it was finally resolved that the feeder channels of the tank should be improved. This has been included in the list of major wants proposed for the ensuing year.

As for improving the cultivation under Mavathur tank it was brought to the notice of the Conference that another extent of 1,000 acres might be brought under cultivation in addition to 1,800 acres already under the plough. In order to bring the full area available under cultivation it has been suggested that concessions should be shown for payment of contribution by instalments and that the holders should be induced to cultivate $\frac{1}{3}$ of the land with sugar-cane.

The tank at present is supplying lands situated in 14 villages belonging to three different taluks, and this has been found to be beset with difficulties in carrying out any general policy which may be laid down for the improvement of the cultivation under the tank. To obviate this it has been resolved to convert all these 14 villages into a hobli and brought under one administration. The exercise of jurisdiction of three different taluks over the lands comprised in the Achkat acts prejudicially to the expansion of cultivation.

7. *Model Villages.*—The proposition of Mr. Ramaswami Iyer of Amrithur that one hobli in each taluk may be converted into a model one was also considered. After some discussion it was resolved that one important village in each hobli be selected for a model village, in order that it may serve as an object lesson to surrounding villages.

8. *Formation of a Fund for the District Committee.*—The next proposition of importance was the consideration of the question of formation of a fund of not less than Rs. 10,000

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